

Community Regional Innovation Center – North Scott Community School District

Proposed recipient:

North Scott Community School District
251 E Iowa Street
Eldridge, IA 52748

Requested amount:

\$2,000,000

Explanation of request:

The funding would be used to help fund the Regional Innovation Center - which is part of the North Scott Vision 2025 initiative. The Center will be a \$19.5M, state-of-the-art facility, built in Eldridge, Iowa through a partnership between the district and Eastern Iowa Community College (EICC). Career & technical education (CTE) programs housed in the facility will be available to all high school students in the region. The new Regional Innovation Center will allow the school district to bring in more students from surrounding school districts, expand its pathway offerings to include entirely new programs, offer capstone courses for existing programs, and better meet the needs of industry through advanced, real-world training as outlined by local and regional advisory councils. Current pathways the district will expand include carpentry, electrical, plumbing, and certified nursing assistant. Planned new pathways that connect to postsecondary certifications or careers include: animal care, culinary arts, emergency medical technician, entrepreneurship & marketing, diesel mechanics/ag engineering technology, food science & nutrition, turf & landscape, and veterinary technician assistant.